

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2824

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INTRODUCTION OF VEDIC RITUAL AGNIHOTRA IN AGRICULTURE

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have now decided to adopt the Vedic rituals `Agnihotra` for increasing agricultural production in the villages of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the name of States proposed to be covered thereunder in near future;
- (d) whether opinions of Agricultural Scientists have also been obtained in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) No research work on vedic ritual `agnihotra` for increasing agricultural productivity has been undertaken in the Council nor there is any proposal to introduce it in the future research agenda of the Council as there is no scientific evidence available with the Council so far.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) Does not arise.